



ENERGY STAR® Certified Home Electronics and Office Equipment Application

Name

Mailing Address

INSTRUCTIONS

The primary purpose of Home Electronics and Office Equipment loans is to provide incentives, through lower interest rates, to use ENERGY STAR® rated equipment to reduce energy consumption.

Eligibility for Home Electronics and Office Equipment is based on ENERGY STAR® certification. ENERGY STAR® certified products provide energy efficient choices that can save on your energy bill with similar savings of greenhouse gas emissions, without sacrificing features, style and comfort. You can ensure that the replacement products you are considering are ENERGY STAR® certified by verifying the manufacturer and model number in the appropriate products section at <http://www.energystar.gov>

WHO MAY APPLY. Only legal residents of Nebraska may apply for loans. A legal resident is a Nebraska taxpayer, a Nebraska

partnership, a Nebraska-chartered corporation, a subdivision of Nebraska government (except public school districts) or a person who has maintained a permanent residence and lived in the state for more than six months. Residency requirements may differ for ENERGY STAR® business or non-profit partners.

GETTING BIDS. You need to get bids or quotes first, so you will have them available for your lender.

WHERE TO FILE. Take this form and any accompanying bids or quotes to your participating lender for loan processing. If the lender of your choice is not participating in this program, contact the Nebraska Energy Office for the lender nearest you.

FOR INFORMATION. Contact the Nebraska Energy Office, P.O. Box 95085, Lincoln NE 68509-5085, Phone: (402) 471-2867, Fax: (402) 471-3064, Email: energy@neo.ne.gov

You may NOT contract for or purchase the equipment you propose in this application prior to the Energy Office signing a Commitment Agreement (FORM 10) with your lender to participate in the loan.

If you do so, you will lose your eligibility to finance the equipment with a low interest loan.

You may accept a bid, contingent on the Energy Office's signed commitment of funding, to lock in the price, but you may not proceed with the purchase or contractually obligate yourself to proceed until your lender notifies you that the Energy Office has signed the Commitment Agreement on your loan.

CERTIFIED HOME ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT

- **Battery charging systems** — components used to recharge a wide variety of cordless products, including power tools, small household appliances, and personal care products like electric shavers.
- **Cordless phones, answering machines, and combination units** — ENERGY STAR® certified units perform much more efficiently than conventional units and use about one-third of the energy. These products use less energy by incorporating improved energy performance features such as switch-mode power supplies and "smart" chargers.
- **Digital Video Disc products** — ENERGY STAR® certified units use as little as one quarter of the energy used by standard models and come with all the latest features, including progressive scan.
- **External power adapters, also known as power supplies or battery chargers** — convert high voltage ac electricity from the wall outlet

to the low voltage dc power used to power electronic products, like MP3 players, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs), camcorders, digital cameras, laptops, and cordless and mobile phones.

- **Home Audio Equipment** — ENERGY STAR® certified audio products, when they are off, use as little as one tenth of the energy used by standard models.
- **Televisions** — ENERGY STAR® certified TVs use about 30% less energy than standard units. You can find the ENERGY STAR® certification on everything from standard TVs, to HD-ready TVs, to the largest flat-screen plasma TVs.
- **Video Cassette Recorders** — ENERGY STAR® certified VCRs use about 25% less total energy than standard units.

Describe the type of home electronic equipment to be purchased including the manufacturer's name and model number:

Cost:

OTHER CERTIFIED HOME ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT

ENERGY STAR® certified home electronics equipment not described in the above categories is eligible for Dollar and Energy Saving loan financing. Complete the following information and submit as indicated in the instructions.

Describe the type of home electronic equipment to be purchased including the manufacturer's name and model number:

Cost:

CERTIFIED OFFICE EQUIPMENT

- **Computers and Laptops** — ENERGY STAR® certified computers use 70% less electricity than computers without enabled power management features.
- **Copiers** — ENERGY STAR® certified copiers “sleep” or power down when not in use, and use 40% less electricity compared to standard models. High-speed copiers may feature duplexing units that automatically make double-sided copies, reducing paper costs.
- **External power adapters, also known as power supplies or battery chargers** — convert high voltage ac electricity from the wall outlet to the low voltage dc power used to power electronic products, like MP3 players, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs), camcorders, digital cameras, laptops, and cordless and mobile phones.
- **Fax Machines** — ENERGY STAR® certified fax machines power down when not in use and use almost 40% less electricity compared to standards models. Machines may have the capability to scan double-sided pages, reducing paper costs.
- **Mailing Machines** — ENERGY STAR® certified mailing machines automatically enter a low-power “sleep” mode after a period of inactivity.
- **Monitors** — ENERGY STAR® certified computer monitors use up to 85% less electricity than standard models. Monitors must meet stringent requirements in On, Sleep, and Off Modes in order to earn certification. In On Mode, the maximum allowed power varies based on the computer monitor’s resolution. In Sleep Mode, computer monitor mod-

els must consume 2 watts or less. In Off Mode, computer monitor models must consume 1 watt or less.

- **Multifunction Devices** — Multifunction devices (MFD) are the answer to small or cluttered desktop spaces, because they combine printing, scanning, and faxing all into one unit. In addition to copying capability, an ENERGY STAR® qualified MFD may have one or more of the capabilities of a printer, scanner, and/or fax machine. EnergyStar® certified MFDs save by powering down and can reduce energy costs associated with use by almost 40%.
- **Printers** — ENERGY STAR® certified printers can cut the equipment’s electricity use by over 60% by automatically entering a low-power “sleep” mode after a period of inactivity. Separate specifications are available for stand-alone printer models depending on paper handling size and color capabilities. Many EnergyStar® certified machines can print double-sided pages, reducing paper costs.
- **Scanners** — ENERGY STAR® certified scanners that have earned the EnergyStar® can cut the equipment’s electricity use by over 50% by automatically entering a low-power “sleep” mode after a period of inactivity.
- **Water Coolers** — ENERGY STAR® certified water coolers save energy by separating hot and cold water to prevent mixing, are more insulated than standard units and have improved chilling mechanisms.

Describe the type of office equipment to be purchased including the manufacturer’s name and model number:

Cost:

OTHER CERTIFIED OFFICE EQUIPMENT

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Describe the type of office equipment to be purchased including the manufacturer’s name and model number:

Cost:

CERTIFICATIONS/SIGNATURE

I certify all the information supplied above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that I will permit my lender and the Nebraska Energy Office, as they deem necessary, to have access to the subject equipment and records in order to make on-site inspections of the equipment which has been financed under the program. I also agree to any follow-up survey conducted by the Nebraska Energy Office on my energy use, cost patterns and equipment performance. The purchases described above will be completed within 5 months after my lender receives a signed commitment from the Energy Office.

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Signature

Date

Take this completed form and the selected bids or quotes to your lender when you apply for the loan.

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